



The Polar Project

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FAMILY ECO-THON!

Now is your chance to make some of those New Year's resolutions become a reality! As part of the Polar Project (this year's Growing Up and Reaching Out project), Lincoln School's Fifth Grade is sponsoring a Family "Eco-Thon" to raise environmental awareness and reduce the Lincoln community's carbon footprint. By helping your family "go green," you'll earn money to help endangered polar bears.

All you need to do is make some simple changes at home that can help to reduce energy use, conserve valuable resources, and make your home a "greener" place. An eco-friendly checklist with suggestions for what you can do at home is being sent home separately.

Each green idea is worth "green!"

For every small change you and your family make, your child can earn "Coins for Cubs." Smaller changes are worth 10 cents; tougher challenges, such as walking to school regularly, earn 25 cents. The idea is for kids to help their families make these beneficial changes and earn the money from their parents, as they might for doing chores at home. Donations can be placed in the Eco-Thon box in the Lincoln School lobby or sent in to your child's teacher.

The mission of The Polar Project is to raise awareness about global warming in Alaska and how it is affecting the lives of polar bears. The Polar Project will raise money for The Alaska Wilderness League, an organization that is dedicated to protecting Alaska's National Wildlife Refuge, home to the endangered Polar Bear. (www.alaskawild.org)

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